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Title: ARRANGEMENT INCLUDING A REMOTE CONTROL DEVICE AND A FIRST
ELECTRONIC DEVICE

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, characterized
in that said second electronic device includes a verification unit
connected to said second memory and said further data input, said
verification unit being adapted to compare a received subset with
subsets stored in said second memory and to generate a first flag
if said received subset is not stored in said second memory.

5. (amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said signal generator is adapted to generate said control signal in accordance with a predetermined transmission protocol, said code data output unit being adapted to include an identifier, which identifies said transmission protocol, into said subset.

6. (amended) An arrangement as claimed in any claim 1, characterized in that the first and the second electronic device are the same.

7. (amended) A remote control device forming part of an arrangement as claimed in claim 1, said remote control device having a first memory for storing a set of code data for controlling a first electronic device, which first memory is connected to an input of a signal generator to supply said code data to said input, which signal generator is adapted to generate, on the basis of said code data, control signals for controlling said first electronic device, and to transmit said control signals to said first electronic device, said first electronic device having a data input arranged to receive data from said remote control device, characterized in that said remote control device has a code data output unit connected to said first memory, said code data output unit having a further input for receiving an upload signal and being adapted to read, under control of said

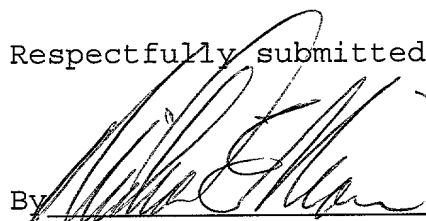
upload signal, at least a subset of said set of code data from said memory, said code data output unit being further adapted to transmit said subset burstwise to a further data input of a second electronic device which includes a second memory for storing a received subset.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments to the claims were made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple dependent form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights they may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicants furthermore reserve their right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

3. (amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim ~~1 or 2~~, characterized in that said second electronic device includes a verification unit connected to said second memory and said further data input, said verification unit being adapted to compare a received subset with subsets stored in said second memory and to generate a first flag if said received subset is not stored in said second memory.

5. (amended) An arrangement as claimed in ~~any one of the claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, characterized in that said signal generator is adapted to generate said control signal in accordance with a predetermined transmission protocol, said code data output unit being adapted to include an identifier, which identifies said transmission protocol, into said subset.

6. (amended) An arrangement as claimed in ~~any one of the claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, characterized in that the first and the second electronic device are the same.

7. (amended) A remote control device forming part of an arrangement as claimed in ~~any one of the claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, said remote control device having a first memory for storing a set of

code data for controlling a first electronic device, which first memory is connected to an input of a signal generator to supply said code data to said input, which signal generator is adapted to generate, on the basis of said code data, control signals for controlling said first electronic device, and to transmit said control signals to said first electronic device, said first electronic device having a data input arranged to receive data from said remote control device, characterized in that said remote control device has a code data output unit connected to said first memory, said code data output unit having a further input for receiving an upload signal and being adapted to read, under control of said upload signal, at least a subset of said set of code data from said memory, said code data output unit being further adapted to transmit said subset burstwise to a further data input of a second electronic device which includes a second memory for storing a received subset.